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Planning Board Town of Rockport 101 Main Street Rockport, ME 04856

RE: In support of the new hotel at Rockport Harbor

My wife and I strongly support the construction of the hotel on Center St at Rockport Harbor. We agree with the many reasons to welcome this handsome and befitting addition to the harbor village, as clearly described in recent Penbaypilot articles, and there are no valid reasons to object, in our opinion.

This small hotel will, like our beautiful new library, rejuvenate our harbor community, and the new tax revenue will help Rockport finance needed community services. The design looks harmonious to us, and we fail to see a major parking problem, since, as we understand, the hotel will have valet parking, and the owners own land sufficient for 35 parking spaces.

We have owned a home in Rockport since 2005, which we have used during summers and, since retirement, during the fall as well. However, beginning last May we became full-time permanent residents. This year we are having a new home constructed in Rockport on Spear Street, near the golf course. We then will be able to walk to the library and other harbor locations.

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Regards,

Richard and Sara Cowan